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USES THEREOF

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

In response to the Office Action dated May 9, 2002, please amend the application as follows.

In the Claims:

Cancel claims 1-23 without prejudice.

Add new claims 24-68.

--24. An isolated nucleic acid comprising a nucleotide sequence that encodes a polypeptide comprising amino acid residues 1-88, 161-323, or 762-965 of SEQ ID NO:2.

25. The nucleic acid of claim 24, wherein the polypeptide comprises amino acid residues 1-88 of SEQ ID NO:2.

26. The nucleic acid of claim 24, wherein the polypeptide comprises amino acid residues 161-323 of SEQ ID NO:2.

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